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## **Fwd: Deer Creek Update**

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Deer Creek email

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Steve,

Just wanted to give you an update on the progress at Deer Creek.

We've identified approximately 1200 feet of channel that allows water to infiltrate into the ground. We have hired RBG Engineers to evaluate the water drainage issues at the mine site and prepare alternatives for remediation. We will start on Thursday by digging test pits in the drainage corridor to evaluate the subsurface below the channel bottom. We hope to have cost comparative alternatives delivered to us in approximately 30 days. At that time we will evaluate the alternatives and decide on a plan of action for remediation. It does not seem that the issues we have at Deer Creek has affected the water quality in the creek.

Please call if you have any questions or concerns.

PS – The contractor constructing the diversion for Emery County in Rilda Canyon has nearly completed its project. It might be a good time for a field visit of the pipeline from the Huntington Plant raw water pond to the Rilda portals. I plan on performing an aerial survey in the near future (fall). Please let me know what days fit your schedule for this field visit.

Thanks

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